
HOUSE BILL No. 1024

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 35-43-5.5.

Synopsis: Commercial bribery. Establishes the crime of commercial bribery, a Class A misdemeanor. Provides that the offense is a Class D felony if the fair market value of the property that is the subject of the commercial bribery exceeds \$2,500.

Effective: July 1, 2002.

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January 8, 2002, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedures.

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 35-43-5.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2002]:

4 **Chapter 5.5. Commercial Bribery**

5 **Sec. 1. A person who:**

6 **(1) solicits, accepts, or agrees to accept property with intent**
7 **to violate a duty of fidelity to which the person is subject as:**

8 **(A) partner, agent, or employee of another;**

9 **(B) trustee, guardian, or other fiduciary;**

10 **(C) attorney, physician, accountant, appraiser, or other**
11 **professional adviser or informant;**

12 **(D) officer, director, manager, or other participant in the**
13 **direction of the affairs of an incorporated or**
14 **unincorporated association; or**

15 **(E) arbitrator or other purportedly disinterested**
16 **adjudicator or referee;**

17 **(2) represents to the public that the person is engaged in the**



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1 business of making disinterested selection, appraisal, or
2 criticism of commodities or services and solicits, accepts, or
3 agrees to accept property to influence the person's selection,
4 appraisal, or criticism; or

5 (3) confers, offers to confer, or agrees to confer property, the
6 acceptance of which violates subdivision (1) or (2);
7 commits commercial bribery, a Class A misdemeanor. However,
8 the offense is a Class D felony if the fair market value of the
9 property exceeds two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500).

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